

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1614

DE BRUIJN ET AL.

Examiner: Delacroix Muirhei, Cybille

APPLICATION NO: 09/501,364

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FOR: NEW ORAL FORMULATION

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

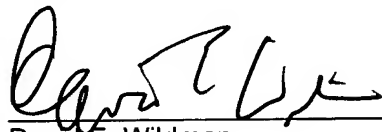
Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-19 and 21-26.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David E. Wildman', written over a horizontal line.

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